



# Minutes, USG General Body Meeting

September 11, 2019

- I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda and Minutes
- IV. Recognition of Visitors – Thanks for coming!
- V. Experience Tech Fee presentation (Joel Isaacson, Sue Laajala)
  - Committee has been meeting with USG reps for a year and a half (John Nowosad, Max Sexauer.)
  - Proposal B is an across the board increase of 33% to the funds all venues get from the Experience Tech Fee. This was the proposal approved.
  - Vote of confidence and letter of support is requested.
- VI. Officer Reports
  - President (*Melanie Thomas*)
    - i. Financial Briefing
      1. 9/12 and 9/18- 6-7pm in Dow 641
        - a. Info sessions for clubs and student orgs to understand USG and funding.
  - Vice President (*Zbigniew Bell*)
    - i. K-Day Office Hours
      1. Anyone who participated in K-Day may log the hours they spent there.
    - ii. Student Commissions Meeting
      1. Tomorrow at 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
        - a. Need a volunteer to attend this meeting.
    - iii. Committee Reporting and Discussion
      1. There should be no discussions in reports.
  - Treasurer (*Leo Stelmaszek*)
    - i. Form Information
      1. New forms are available for reimbursements and opportunity fund requests to create a digital copy and improve oversight. On Google Drive.
  - Secretary (*Zachary Olson*)
- VII. Advisor Reports
  - Beka Horsch
    - i. Poor Painting on 9/12 at 5 p.m.
    - ii. Husky Hour on Tuesday from 4 p.m.
    - iii. Movie in Fisher 135 next Tuesday called “Do it For Daniel”.
    - iv. Husky Hour on Wednesday at 4 p.m.
  - Stefani Vargas Krause
  - Bonnie Gorman
    - i. Drag Show Sunday at 7 p.m.
    - ii. Take advantage of Career Services
    - iii. 343 companies attending career fair.
  - Jessie Stapleton
- VIII. Standing Committee Reports
  - Events (*Lauren Spahn*)
  - Judiciary Committee (*Jack Mitchell*)
    - i. Working on numbers for new colleges to determine representation.

- Political Affairs (*Anna Ellis*)
    - i. Voter registration with League of Women Voters on Monday meeting.
  - Public Relations (*Natalie Wohlgemuth*)
    - i. Website Body Info
      - 1. Respond to the form.
  - Student Affairs (*Larkin Hooker-Moericke*)
  - Ways and Means (*Leo Stelmaszek*)
    - i. Reach out to orgs to attend financial briefing.
    - ii. Keweenaw Rocket Range
      - 1. Requested \$850 from opportunity fund, WAM is recommending \$800.
- IX. USG Liaison Reports
- Graduate Student Government (*Anna Ellis*)
  - Interfraternity Council (*Colin Schaefer*)
    - i. VP Chair of Development position of IFC still open.
  - Panhellenic Council (*Natalie Wohlgemuth*)
    - i. National Hazing preventing week starting September 21.
  - Inter Residence Housing Council (*Lauren Spahn*)
    - i. Looking for members to serve on room and board rate committee.
    - ii. Nominations open for E-Board.
  - Houghton City Council
  - Parent's Fund (*Jack Mitchell*)
    - i. Need a volunteer to attend next Thursday at 9 a.m.
  - Senate
    - i. Received a request to recommend the School of Forestry and School of Business to become colleges.
  - Diversity (*Harley Merkaj*)
  - Student Commissions
    - i. Need a volunteer to attend.
  - Friends of the Library
    - i. Need a new liaison.
  - Other Liaisons
- X. Unfinished Business
- Experience Tech Fee
    - i. Vote of Confidence for proposal B passes with majority.
    - ii. John Nowosad has letter of support drafted.
- XI. New Business
- USG Pledge
    - i. Pledge drafted at E-Board
    - ii. Members are free to sign the pledge if they want to.
  - Nov. 9th SVSU Conference 2019
    - i. A majority of public universities will be attending.
    - ii. On a weekend.
    - iii. Time to discuss statewide advocacy for educational rights.
- XII. Open Floor
- USG Expectations
  - Commencement Correspondence
    - i. Representation on the commencement improvement committee.
    - ii. Meetings on Thursdays from 2-3 p.m.

- iii. Looking for a volunteer.
  - Student Activities has become Student Leadership and Involvement.
    - i. Ways USG can help make students on campus be a good leader.
- XIII. Closed Session
- XIV. Announcements/"Remarks for the Good"
  - Give Natalie ideas for the website.
  - Increase involvement with social media.
- XV. Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,  
Zachary Olson  
Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Government